Applications Now Open for the 2016 Delaware Seashore Poetry & Prose Writers' Retreat





The Delaware Division of the Arts is pleased to announce that applications are now open for the 2016 Delaware Seashore Poetry and Prose Writers' Retreat. The retreat will be held from November 3 - 6, 2016 at the Cottages at Indian River Marina,

Rehoboth Beach, Delaware and is open to Delaware residents over the age of 18, not enrolled in a degree or certificate granting educational program. The 2016 participation fee is \$300, which includes room and board.

The retreat will allow writers the opportunity to write during the day, attend workshops in the evening, and have all meals provided. The workshops will be led by novelist, **H.G.** Carrillo, and poet, **Diana Goetsch** and are designed for participants to generate new work, explore craft, and learn from each other in a safe and supportive environment.

The application process is competitive, and participants will be selected based on the merit of their writing submissions. Work samples will be juried in an anonymous review process to select up to 22 attendees from the pool of applicants, split evenly between poetry and prose.

Important Dates:

Monday, June 20	Applications due
Mid-August	Artists are notified
Monday, September 12	Payment due to Division of the Arts

Writers at all levels of experience are invited to apply. While newcomers will be given special consideration, previous attendees of the Cape Henlopen Writing Retreats are welcome to apply. In lieu of a Fellowship award for the 2016 Writers' Retreat, one writer who is a first-time participant will be awarded a partial scholarship toward fees, based on the quality of the manuscript submitted. For more information about the retreat and how to apply, please visit our website.

Application Requirements:

Poetry Workshop: Application form and up to 10 pages of poetry; no more than one poem per page

Fiction Workshop: Application form and up to 10 pages of prose, double-spaced

Please note: applicants must select between poetry and prose and submit <u>only one</u> application. Email the <u>application form</u> and attach the following to the attention of Roxanne Stanulis, <u>roxanne.stanulis@delaware.gov</u> no later than **4:30 PM on Monday**, **June 20, 2016**.

About the Workshop Leaders

Poet, **Diana Goetsch** is the author (as Douglas Goetsch) of three full-length collections of poems—most recently *Nameless Boy* (Orchises Press, 2015)—and four prizewinning chapbooks.

Her poems have appeared in many leading journals and anthologies, including The New Yorker, Poetry, The Gettysburg Review, The Iowa Review, Best American Poetry and the Pushcart Prize anthology. She is also the author of Life in Transition, a series of 31 essays appearing from 2015-16 at The American Scholar online. Among her honors are fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the New York Foundation for the Arts, and the Donald Murray Prize. She has been on faculty at dozens of writing programs and conferences, including, for the last 16 years, the Iowa Summer Writing Festival. She resides in York City, and her website is New www.dianagoetsch.com.

Novelist, **H. G. Carrillo** is the author of *Loosing My Espanish*, a novel, published by Pantheon Books and in paperback by Anchor Books. His short stories have appeared in Kenyon Review, Conjunctions, The Iowa Review, Glimmer Train, Ninth Letter, Slice and other journals and publications. A member of the board of directors of the PEN/Faulkner Foundation, Carrillo lives in Washington, DC, where he is currently at work on a novel. His website is www.stuartbernstein.com/hgcarrillo.html.

About the Cottages at the Indian River Marina

Participants will share accommodations in 11 cottages (two writers per cottage) in the Cottages at the Indian River Marina. Each cottage has heat and air conditioning along with 2 private bedrooms (one with a queen bed and one with twin beds), a shared bathroom, a kitchen, and a furnished screened porch. The cottages are not equipped with internet, Wi-Fi, or phones. Attendees will need to bring linens, towels, and paper products. The Cottages at Indian River Marina are located at Inlet 838, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware 19971.

About the Delaware Division of the Arts

The <u>Delaware Division of the Arts</u> is an agency of the State of Delaware. Together with its advisory body, the Delaware State Arts Council, the Division administers grants and programs

that support arts programming, educate the public, increase awareness of the arts, and integrate the arts into all facets of Delaware life. Funding for Division programs is provided by annual appropriations from the Delaware General Assembly and grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. For more information about the Delaware Division of the Arts, visit artsdel.org or call 302-577-8278.

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